

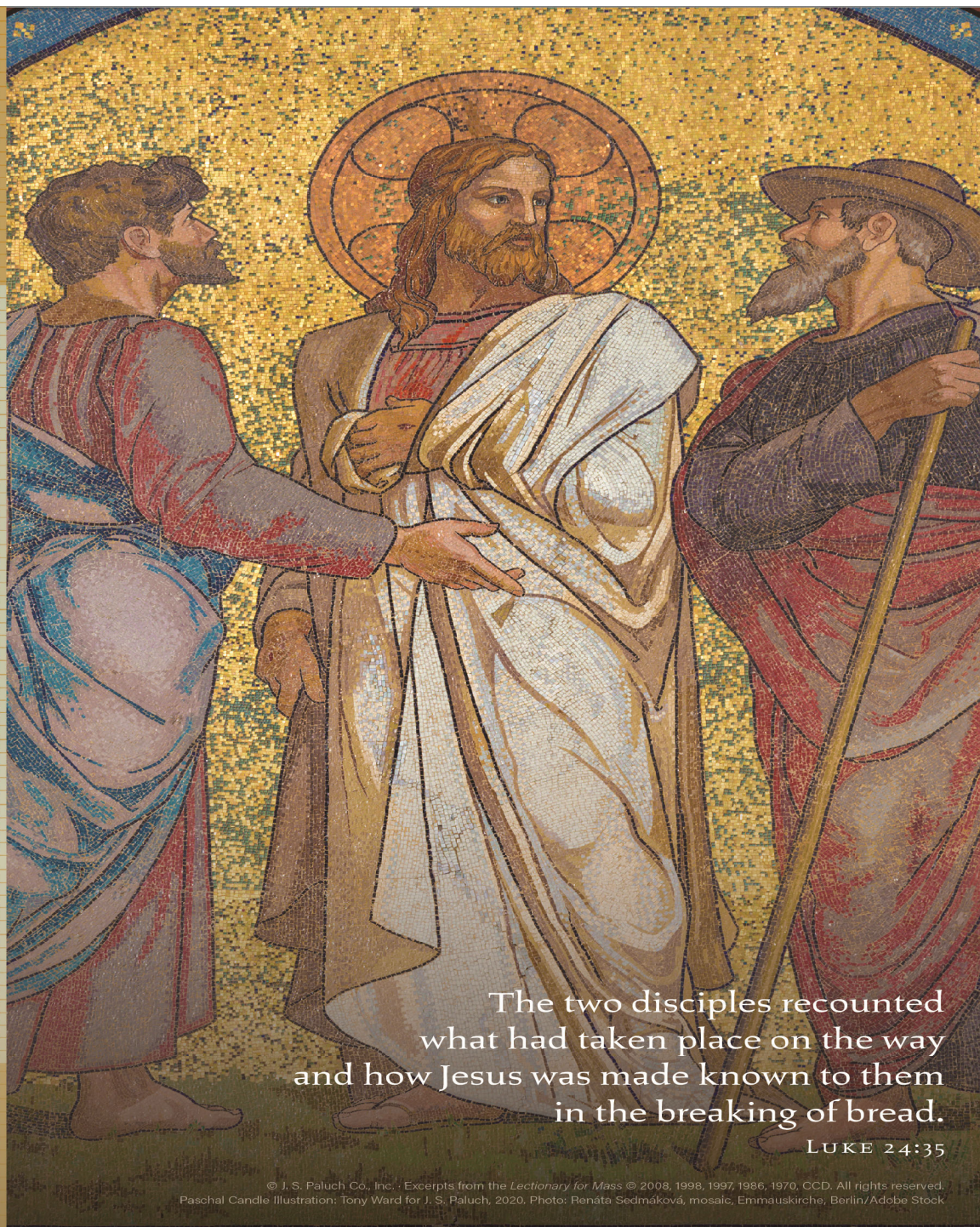
Our Mother of Sorrows Parish

Saint Casimir Church, Saint Ann Church and Holy Family Church

APRIL
26
2020



THIRD
SUNDAY OF
Easter



The two disciples recounted
what had taken place on the way
and how Jesus was made known to them
in the breaking of bread.

LUKE 24:35

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Bishop Persico has suspended all public Masses and Services until further notice.

Note: Each Mass intention will be remembered within the daily private Mass our Priest celebrate.
You may also keep each Mass intention in your daily prayers.

Saturday, April 25th: Vigil Mass

(SC) John A. Rzomp, Sr. by Jim and Darlene Davis

Sunday, April 26th: Third Sunday of Easter

(SC) Fr. Donald Berdis and Living & Deceased of the Berdis Family by Sister Kevin Berdis, OSF

(SC) Mary Ann Toohey by David and Anna Dieteman

(SC) Ron Turbaczewski by The Family
All Parishioners Living & Deceased

Monday, April 27th: Easter Monday

(SC) For all sick and shut-ins

(SA) Agnes Priscaro by St. Ann's Ladies

Tuesday, April 28th: St. Peter Chanel and St. Louis Grignion de Montfort

(SC) All Parishioners Living and Deceased

(SA) Sandra Buffalari by nephew Len Kierzek

Wednesday, April 29th: St. Catherine of Siena

(SC) Eugenia Hodas, Birthday by Christine and Family

(SA) Good Health for Joseph Krkoska by Don & Judy Halcom

Thursday, April 30th: St. Pius V

(SC) Fran Kierzek by son Len Kierzek

(SA) Johanna Berdis by Dr. Tony Berdis

First Friday, May 1st: St. Joseph the Worker

(SC) Special Intentions of Fr. Joseph Gregorek

(SA) Special Intentions of Legion of Mary

First Saturday, May 2nd: Vigil Mass

(SC) John Deniziak by Jean Deniziak and Family

Sunday, May 3rd: Fourth Sunday of Easter

Good Shepherd Sunday ~ Diocesan Special Collection

(SC) John A. Rzomp by Ann Marie & Eileen Ropelewski

(SC) Matthew Niebauer by Vento Family

(SC) Good Health for Fr. Dan Prez by Ron & Helen Domkowski

All Parishioners Living & Deceased

THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS

Holy Family

1) Fr. Donald Berdis and Living & Deceased of the Berdis Family by Sr. Kevin Berdis, OSF

2) Living & Deceased of the Galla & Walach Families by Paul and Lisa Galla

Our Mother of Sorrows: Robert Merski, Sr. and Mildred Merski by The Merski Family

St. Ann's

1) Ron Turbaczewski by Family

2) Monica Sorensen by Family

St. Casimir's

1) Special Intention of Charlotte Prez

2) Stanley Lipinski by St. Casimir Friends

OUR BELOVED DEAD

Anna Marie Ropelewski,
Service Men and Women, Parishioners,
Friends & Benefactors
*Our deepest sympathy to the families and friends of the deceased.
May they rest in peace.*

THE WEEK AHEAD

The rectory office is closed until further notice.

☞ Please remember to notify the rectory office or use the form in this bulletin to notify us of a change in your address or telephone number. [I have noticed many parishioners do not have their phone numbers listed on their accounts. If you can spare a minute to use the form in this bulletin and simply fill in all your current/correct information and mail it in when you mail in your offertory this will be very helpful.] This helps us keep in touch. Also, please note it may take 2 to 3 mailing cycles before our offertory envelope provider updates your mailing address. Thank you for your help in keeping our records up to date.

PRAY FOR OUR MEMBERS IN THE MILITARY

Rev. Joseph Campbell (South Korea), Austin Agnello, Stephany Agnello, Sterling and Connor Vahey, Nicole and Jamie Keller (in Iraq), David Hawkins, Nick Torres (in Afghanistan), Bryan Spadaccio, Jennifer Smolinsky, Gregory Merski, Thomas Kaiser, Daniel Kidd (in Hawaii), and David Kraut
*Please call-in with names to be added or removed from this list or change in location.
Thank you for your service to our country.*

THE INFORMATION IN THIS BULLETIN IS ACCURATE AS OF THE PUBLICATION DATE, SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2020.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Happy 3rd Sunday of Easter Everyone! † Next Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday and we received the following letter from **Bishop Persico** about the Good Shepherd Collection. As always I know that you will do your very best for our retired, ill, and elderly priests. Please read the Bishop's letter:

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Every year around Good Shepherd Sunday we hold the Good Shepherd Collection for retired diocesan priests in our diocese. It is our annual opportunity to show our appreciation and love for our priests—those retired and those who will follow in years to come. The response to the Good Shepherd Collection has always been one of overwhelming generosity by the people of the diocese. We do not want to forget those priests who have ministered to our spiritual needs. They were with us every step of the way celebrating Baptisms, witnessing marriage vows, and presiding at the funerals of loved ones. Even after their retirement many continue to provide sacramental ministry in our parishes. If you wish to make a contribution to the Good Shepherd Collection it can be made to your parish the weekend of May 2-3 or anytime in the upcoming weeks at your convenience by mail or on line at www.ErieRCD.org. (to be continued).

† Hope you are all doing well! We miss seeing all of you at the weekend Masses. † Many of you have requested a prayer for Spiritual Communion. The following prayer is my favorite: *My Jesus, I believe that you are really and truly present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I hop and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you now sacramentally, I ask you to come now spiritually into my heart and soul. I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you and your Sacred Heart. Never permit me to be separated from you. I pray through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

† These are difficult days for all of us. For you and your families and all of our parishioners, Our Mother of Sorrows's Parish remains committed to the spiritual care of all parishioners and the entire community at large. Although how we do that has changed temporarily, our purpose remains the same. Please be assured of our daily prayers for all of you and our private Masses for your special intentions. Unfortunately our parish office must be closed to the public during this time, we will reopen as soon as the emergency situation has ended and we are given a green light by both the government and the diocese. Thank you for your understanding, your patience, and your cooperation.

Sincerely yours in our Risen Lord and Savior! Fr. O'Hara

FROM THE DESK OF DEACON JERRY

What are Our Hearts Burning for?

Our Gospel for this week gives us that wonderful account of the disciples on the road to Emmaus. Jesus, walks with two of his despondent disciples as they describe their state of mind and the events of the past days. Then, after Jesus opens the Scriptures to them, their hearts begin to burn because they have heard what they have been waiting to hear all their lives.

It is likely all of us can identify with the two disciples who encountered Jesus on the road to Emmaus. We are currently living in times of despair, uncertainty and sadness. We've had our lives and routines turned upside down and we are looking for a sign of hope to bring us out of our gloom. We need God!

Just as Jesus' great love for the two disciples shines forth in his patience and understanding that same love shines forth for each one of us today.

While we still are not able to gather together our primary encounter with the Risen Lord takes place in the circumstances of our lives, in the solitude of our prayer, in our families, in the people we still need to interact with.

During the days ahead, even in the uncertainty of the times, let us walk with open hearts and minds, knowing that for us, the people we encounter might be Jesus, walking with us to give us hope and to lead us on our way.

May our hearts burn for Christ. May we let him take us where no one can. And may we let him stir up a wisdom in our hearts this world cannot give us.

FINANCIAL REPORT

As of March 31, 2020

Collection \$2,205.00

Candles \$35.25

Pierogi Sales \$865.00

Thank you for your support of the Pierogi Sales!

TOTAL \$3,105.25

PARISH EXPENSES

Missalettes (per quarter) \$565.92

Mailing of the February Offertory Envelopes \$171.57

Please remember during this time you may drop your weekly offertory in the mail slot at the rectory office or mail your offertory to the rectory office.

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CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL 2020

As of March 31, 2020

Goal: \$21,446.00

Pledged Amount: \$8,477.00

Paid Amount: \$4,637.00

Thank you we have an increase to report! We can reach our Goal! I know we can with your help! All funds above and beyond the \$21,446.00 remain right here in our parish. You still have time to make your pledge. You may use the 2020 CSA envelope that was included in your monthly packet or extra envelopes are available in our churches.

A heartfelt thank you to each and everyone of you, to our parishioners, our friends, our benefactors, and our families for their deep devotion to Our Mother of Sorrows Parish and for your continued love, support and generosity.

Thanks for keeping our home fires burning!

INFORMATION UPDATE or NEW PARISHIONER-REQUEST FORM

You may also use this form to update your telephone numbers, address, name, etc.

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone & Cell _____

- New Registration Want Envelopes
 Change of Name
 Change of Address Change in Phone Numbers

Please drop this information into the Collection Basket, or send into the rectory office. Thank you.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS

Bishop Emeritus Donald Trautman, Father Jim O'Hara, Msgr. Gerald Koos, Fr. Daniel Prez, Fr. Joseph Gregorek, Fr. John Santor, Msgr. Robert Smith, Deacon Glen Kuzma, Deacon Dennis Kudlak, Michael Burenko, Charlotte Prez, Pat & Gene Maciak, John Maciak, Anne Goodrich, Tom Duska, Sr., Kay Majersky, Maryann Marchant, Karen Antonio, Theresa Juchno, Theresa Zaborowski, Victoria Vargo, Lynn Clint, Sr. Rose Kuzma, Audrey Draszkievicz, Janice Schroeder, Walter Burenko, Jr., Margaret Kuzma, Jim Berdis, Jr. Susan Spadaccio, Eileen Ropelewski, Andrew G., Catherine Jankowski, Margaret Cermak, Robert and Karen Mazur, Raymond Wasielewski, Mike Lucas, Jennifer Galla, Diane Pavlik, Linda Krause, Douglas B. (father) and Douglas B. (son), Elizabeth Sliska, Gregory Wright, Tom Duska, II, Frances Birchard, Mary Ann Palkovic, Thomas Sisca, Fritz Gingenbach, Marlene Lucas, Mary Lou Wieczorek, Robert Jaskiewicz, Lucille Rovnak, Simon de la Guerra, Carol Krysiak, Kathy Newhouse, Alice Bock, Lorena Derks, Dawn Statton, Cindy Stasiewski, Dr. Richard Cerami, Peyton Madura, Judy Marini, Austin M., Rose Gray, Lottie Carter, Jean Benedict, Jerry Jeroski, Linda Kuzma, Mary Wierzbicki, Mary Lepkowski, Michelle Spath, Michael Wieczorek, Dolores Campbell, Paul Martin, Sr., Dolores Osiecki, Betty Miller, William Brennan, Sr. Rose Rovnak, OSF, Sr. Margaret Rovnak, OSF, Dorothy Wright, Jerry Hoydic, Grace Guelcher, Ann Winschel, Marianne Nicholl, Marie Jurino, Joe Habas, Dolores Causgrove, Patricia Mazzaresse, Michael Ryan, Anne Marie Wykoff, Joanne Nelson, Evelyn Buczynski, Jim Heubel, Eugeniusz Szczepura, Fr. John Murray C.Ss.R., The Wienczkowski Family, Eileen Fulton, Jane Singleton, Eloise Conley, Lorraine Oster, Al Klugiewicz, The Clara Jong Family, Thomas Lucas, Rose Kowalski, Rosemarie Dzialo, Mark McMahan, Lillian Kolbas, Joyce Mueck, Carol Reynolds-Wolfe, John Wolfe, Leokadia Bajek, Walter Zaborowski, Dannielle Bizzarro, Ed Hart, Hank and Dorothy Oldach, Sister Grace Cermak, and all others in need of our prayers. Pray for all of them!

Please call in with names that should be added or removed from this list. Remember you are our only source of information, hospital, nursing homes, etc. do not provide us with any information. Thank you.